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SUMMARY OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW OF FEBRUARY 22, 2005

This is to summarize the interview held with the Examiner regarding the referenced patent application on February 22, 2005. The interview was held by telephone and attendees included the Examiner, the undersigned, and the inventor Gopal Avinash. In the interview the features recited in independent claims 1, 9, 16, 22 and 30 were discussed in view of the teachings of Li et al. The inventor and the undersigned pointed out the distinctions with regard to Li et al., particularly regarding the techniques for enhancing images with and without actual identification of structure. No specific agreement was reached regarding allowable subject matter in the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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